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MEMORANDUM FOR: Navy Member, NIS Committee

SUBJECT:

NIS 26-IV, NIS 26-V - Maps for

- 1. Since completion of Section 22 and Supplement II for subject areas, with beach locations plotted upon the WAC series maps, a new and much improved ONC map series has become available. The ONC series (1:1,000,000) corresponds to an indigenous 1:2,500,000 relief series, dated 1958, that is evaluated by AMS and CIA as the best coverage available for northern U. S. S. R.
- 2. Differences between the WAC and ONC series are in spot elevations, shapes of islands, spits, lagoons, bays, deltas, and entire reaches of coast. Drainage patterns differ considerably between the two series, and some areas adjacent to selected beaches shown as swamp on the WAC sheets appear as hills of several hundred feet elevation on the ONC.
- 3. Accordingly, in my opinion, substitution of the improved map series for the older series is highly desirable, even if the cartographic effort and the work needed for adjustments to related text and tables result in delays in other scheduled deliveries.

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Chairman, NIS Committee

cc: Army Member, NIS Committee

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